



## Local Recreation Assistance that may be Administered by State Parks

*Proposition 84 - Provides up to \$570 million in three separate accounts*

### **Competitive Programs to be Determined by the Legislature - \$400 million**

\$400 million shall be available to the Department of Parks and Recreation for competitive grants for local and regional parks. Funds provided in this subdivision may be allocated to existing programs or pursuant to legislation enacted to implement this subdivision, subject to the following considerations:

- (1) Acquisition and development of new parks and expansion of overused parks that provide park and recreational access to underserved communities shall be given preference.
- (2) Creation of parks in neighborhoods where none currently exist shall be given preference.
- (3) Outreach and technical assistance shall be provided to underserved communities to encourage full participation in the program or programs.
- (4) Preference shall be given to applicants that actively involve community based groups in the selection and planning of projects.
- (5) Projects will be designed to provide efficient use of water and other natural resources.

### **Nature Education Program - \$100 million**

\$100 million shall be available to the Department of Parks and Recreation for grants for nature education and research facilities and equipment to nonprofit organizations and public institutions, including natural history museums, aquariums, research facilities and botanical gardens. Eligible institutions include those that combine the study of natural science with preservation, demonstration and education programs that serve diverse populations, institutions that provide collections and programs related to the relationship of Native American cultures to the environment, and institutions for marine wildlife conservation research. Grants may be used for buildings, structures and exhibit galleries that present the collections to inspire and educate the public and for marine wildlife conservation research equipment and facilities.

### **Urban Greening Projects – Up to \$70 million**

Up to \$70 million shall be available for urban greening projects that reduce energy consumption, conserve water, improve air and water quality, and provide other community benefits. Priority shall be given to projects that provide multiple benefits, use existing public lands, serve communities with the greatest need, and facilitate joint use of public resources and investments including schools. Implementing legislation shall provide for planning grants for urban greening programs.

*Proposition 1C – Provides up to \$400 million in two separate accounts:*

No more than \$200 million for park creation, development, or rehabilitation to encourage infill development.

\$200 million shall be available for housing-related parks grants in urban, suburban, and rural areas, subject to the conditions and criteria that the Legislature may provide in statute.